

HA-1336

c. 1887

House  
127 Archer Street  
Bel Air  
Private

This little shotgun house was built as a tenant house by Frank Hays Jacobs. Since he built only one house in the Hays Addition, it is possible it was for a family servant.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

HA-1336  
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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

127 Archer Street

1st

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

—DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

—STRUCTURE

—SITE

—OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

—PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

—BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

—IN PROCESS

—BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☒ OCCUPIED

—UNOCCUPIED

—WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

—YES: UNRESTRICTED

—NO

**PRESENT USE**

—AGRICULTURE

—COMMERCIAL

—EDUCATIONAL

—ENTERTAINMENT

—GOVERNMENT

—INDUSTRIAL

—MILITARY

—MUSEUM

—PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

—RELIGIOUS

—SCIENTIFIC

—TRANSPORTATION

—OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Hannah Moore

Telephone #: 879-7989

STREET & NUMBER

208 Hays Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21014

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

Liber #: 299

Folio #: 47

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☐ GOOD  
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This small two and a half story shiplap sided shotgun house is at 127 Archer Street in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland. It has a sheet metal gable roof and presents its blind gable to the street. It has a single story shed addition in back (east) and shed porches on plain posts at front and back. The windows are 6/6 double-hung sash except in the first story on the facade (west elevation). This window in the north bay is a long 2/4 extending all the way to the floor; it represents the house's only attempt at style, save for a narrow two pane transom over the door.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES      c. 1887

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small example of workingman's housing in the Hays Addition was built on lot # 49 probably shortly after Frank Hays Jacobs bought it from the Bel Air Land Company in 1887 (59/123).

The Hays Addition was subdivided from land in the estate of merchant Thomas Hays who died in 1861. Hays was Frank Hays Jacobs' grandfather. Since he only bought one lot in the addition, it is possible that this little house was built for a family servant rather than as a profit making venture.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #1252 in the Town of Bel Air,  
50' x 150'.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Marilynn Larew, Architectural Historian

15 June 1979

ORGANIZATION

Town of Bel Air

DATE

838-8700

STREET &amp; NUMBER

39 Hickory Avenue

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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21 STATE CIRCLE  
SHAW HOUSE  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1336

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:  
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

*House*

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

*Frank Jacoba' Tenant House*

PRESENT USE: *rental*

ORIGINAL USE: *rental*

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent ( )

Good ( )

Fair (✓)

Poor: ( )

THEME:

*architecture*

STYLE:

*vernacular*

DATE BUILT:

*1887*

COUNTY: *Harford*

TOWN: *Bel Air*

LOCATION:

*North of 135th St 127 Archer*

COMMON NAME:

*House*

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: *private residence*

OWNER: *Hannah E. Moore*

ADDRESS: *208 Hayes St.*

*Bel Air, Md.*

*299/47*

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes ( )

No ( )

Restricted (✓)

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local (✓)

State ( )

National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone (✓) Brick ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )

2. Wall Structure

A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam ( ) Balloon ( )

B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )

C. Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other:

3. Wall Covering: Clapboard ( ) Board and Batten ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap (✓)  
Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( ) Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( )  
Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( )

Bonding Pattern:

4. Roof Structure

Other:

A. Truss: Wood ( ) Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )

B. Other:

5. Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( ) Sheet Metal (✓)  
Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:

6. Engineering Structure:

7. Other:

Appendages: Porches (✓) Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers ( ) Chimneys (✓) Sheds (✓) Ells ( )  
Wings ( ) Other:

Roof Style: Gable ( ) Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( ) With False Front ( )

Other:

Number of Stories: *2 1/2*

Number of Bays: *2*

Approximate Dimensions: *15' x 50'*

Entrance Location: *Archer St*

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat ( ) Zoning ( ) Roads ( )

Development ( ) Deterioration ( )

Alteration ( ) Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive ( ) Negative ( )

Mixed ( ) Other:

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## ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Shotgun w/ shed kitchen + shed porches (back + front)  
 windows 6/6 ex w bay 1st story long 7/4 (all the way to floor)  
 2 pane transom over door plain gable  
 yellow + brown

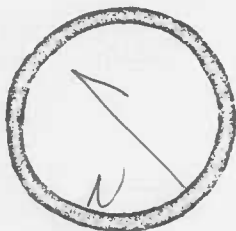
## RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Workingman's rental housing built by Frank H. Jacobs.

## REFERENCES:

## MAP: (Indicate North in Circle)



Archer

X

George

## SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane( ) Woodland( ) Scattered Buildings( )  
 Moderately Built Up( ) Densely Built Up( )  
 Residential( ) Commercial( )  
 Agricultural( ) Industrial( )  
 Roadside Strip Development( )  
 Other:

M. Law

RECORDED BY:

Town of Bel Air

ORGANIZATION:

11 June 79

DATE RECORDED:







HA. 1336 House, 127 Archer St, Bel Air  
W + S elev  
Don. Larew, 1979